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SUBJECT: SECOND SUBREGIONAL MEETING OF EXPERTS FOR PREPARATIONS FOR UNCSTD, ISLAMABAD, JUNE 10-13

- 1. SUBREGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR UNCSTD IS SCHEDULED TO CONVENE IN ISLAMABAD JUNE 10-13 IN CONJUNCTION WITH PREPARATIONS FOR 1979 UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT.
- 2. PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR MEETING INCLUDES: A. STATUS REPORTS BY PARTICIPANTS HIGHLIGHTING MAIN FEATURES, CONLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OUTLINED IN DRAFT NATIONAL PAPERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH UNCSTD AGENDA ITEMS: (1) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT; (2) INSTITUIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; (3) UTILIZATION OF THE EXISTING UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS; (4) SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE

FUTURE. B. IDENTIFICATION AND SELECTION OF COMMON AREAS OF INTEREST AND FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO UNCSTD; (C) REVIEW AND FORMULATION OF NATIONAL/REGIONAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES FOR THE APPLICATION OF S AND T FOR DEVELOPMENT; AND (D) REVIEW OF EXISTING AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MECHANISMS FOR FRUITFUL COLLABORATION AMONG THE COUNTRIES IN THE REGION AT THE NATIONAL, INSTITUTIONAL, INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE LEVELS.

- 3. U.S. COORDINATOR'S OFFICE FOR UNCSTD REGRETS UNABLE TO SEND EXPERT/DELEGATE. IN PREPARATION FOR UNCSTD WE ARE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING LDC POSITIONS, PARTICULARLY WHAT THEY PERCEIVE AS THEIR NEEDS AND PRIORITIES IN THE AREA OF S AND T FOR DEVELOPMENT AND THEIR EXPECTATIONS FOR UNCSTD.
- 4. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY PROVIDING SELECTED COVERAGE OF MEETING IF FEASIBLE AND REPORTING ON ANY SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS WHICH MAY BE DISCREETLY OBTAINED. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING EITHER DRAFT OR OFFICIAL REPORT OF MEETING ONCE AVAILABLE.
- 5. EMBASSY SHOULD INFO AYAZ HAMID, RESEARCH OFFICER, GOP, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (UN S AND T CONFERENCE CELL) OF NAME OF EMBASSY OFFICER WHO PLANS TO ATTEND MEETING.

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